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LANGFORD HOUSE,
BANGALORE.

19th August 1920.

My dear sir,

In continuation of my letter of the 16th instant submitting a copy of my confidential and private letter to the Hon'ble the Resident, regarding the Cauveri Arbitration case, I beg to report for the information of His Highness that I called on the Resident and had a discussion with him on the situation that has arisen in regard to the informal conversations with Madras regarding the proposed settlement, and I understood that Sir Thomas Ward had sent Mr. Barton a telegram offering his advice on certain points. I took Mr. Cadambi with me to explain to Mr. Barton the technical points and as a result of our discussions, it was agreed that we should await the result of the conference that would take place at Madras on the 23rd instant, and that should any further hitch arise we may seek the assistance of Sir Thomas Ward and bring him down here. Mr. Barton admitted that Mysore had done all that was possible to bring about a settlement and in fact had conceded great many points and that if the negotiations fail, they will not be responsible. I pointed out that there was nothing to prevent Mr. Howley from placing the agreement before his Government and that the Dewan or the Member in charge might have then met His Excellency the Governor or the Hon'ble Mr. Davidson as the case may be, to discuss the political questions involved. As personally explained to His Highness, it appears to me that no one is willing to take any personal responsibility in bringing about an amicable settlement in this case and Mr. Davidson is probably inclined to let the Tanjore mirasidars have a say in the



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My Dear Mr. Mysore

I am enclosing draft of a D.O. to Mr. Barton and another to Sir John Wood and request that you will be good enough to let me know if His Highness approves of them.

Yours sincerely,

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in the matter. But Mr. Barton thought, after I had explained the position to him, that the Madras Government have to satisfy themselves that the interests of the Madras ryots are fully protected by any arrangement that they may accept and he could not see how in these negotiations, the ryots could be heard or given a voice. That was also the opinion of Sir Thomas Ward.

Mr. Barton casually stated that he was about to proceed to Simla shortly and that he would take the opportunity of his visit to Simla to meet Sir Thomas Ward and explain the whole position to him personally. Mr. Barton asked me if there were any matters regarding which he may also have a talk with the Political Secretary and I replied that there were several important questions in regard to which, a personal discussion might facilitate a satisfactory settlement and that I would like to go and discuss these matters with him if he would fix a time a few days before his departure. I propose to bring up these matters before His Highness in person on Saturday next at 1 P.M. and take personal instructions in accordance with His Highness' commands that were given to me this morning.

Yours sincerely,



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